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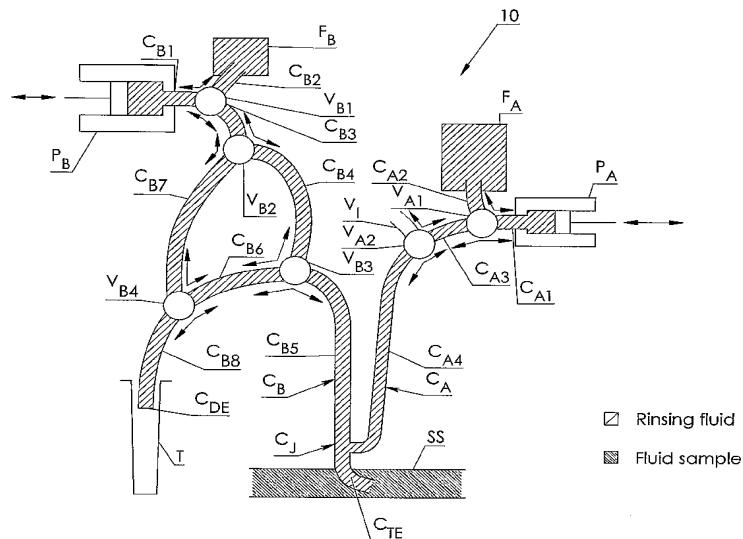
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to automatic taking of fluid samples from a sample site (SS) of the living. A system comprises catheter means (CA,CB) having a junction (CJ) configured to be located in proximity to the sample site (SS). The junction is connected to first and second catheter means (CA,CB) and a sample-taking end (CTE). A valve (VA2) is connected to the first catheter means (CA) and has an inlet (VI) for an immiscible fluid to be aspirated into the first catheter means. Pumping means (PA,PB) are connectable to said catheter means and configured to aspirate and move said amount of said fluid (AB) to said junction. A first part (AB1) of said immiscible fluid (AB) is arranged in said second catheter means and a second part (AB2) in said first catheter means, whereby said first (AB1) and second (AB2) parts being configured to separate a taken sample (TS).



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